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SUBJ: CHATCHAI ON U.S. TROOP WITHDRAWALS

1. ANSWERING AN INTERPELLATION IN PARLIAMENT MAY 1, FOREIGN MINISTER CHATCHAI CHUNHAWAN SAID THAT A LARGE-SCALE U.S. TROOP WITHDRAWAL WILL BEGIN NEXT MONTH. HE ADDED THAT AN ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE MADE MONDAY, MAY 5. CHATCHAI SAID THAT TROOP WITHDRAWALS WITHIN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS WILL BE MADE STEP-BY-STEP.

2. CHATCHAI ALSO HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE MAY 1. FOLLOWING IS AN UNOFFICIAL USIS TRANSLATION OF HIS REMARKS ON U.S. TROOP WITHDRAWALS.

BEGIN TEXT.

REPORTER: WILL A JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT BE ISSUED IN REGARD TO THE WITHDRAWAL OF AMERICAN MILITARY FORCES?

CHAT CHAI: OH\* AN ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE ISSUED DEFINITELY. NEXT MONDAY. THE ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE ISSUED ON MONDAY.

REPORTER: THERE IS A NEWS REPORT STATING THAT THE UNITED STATES  
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WILL REFUSE TO WITHDRAW, GIVING AS REASON THE AGREEMENT.....

CHATCHAI: THERE IS NO TRUTH WHATSOEVER IN THAT NEWS REPORT. IT HAS BEEN WRITTEN UP IN A DISTORTED MANNER. THAT DAY TALKS WERE HELD ON TWO SUBJECTS. THE FIRST WAS ON SECURITY COMMITMENTS UNDER VARIOUS AGREEMENTS, WHICH THEY SAID THEY WILL CONTINUE ADHERING TO. THE SECOND SUBJECT WAS CONSULTATIONS ON THE WITHDRAWAL OF MILITARY FORCES, WHEN WITHDRAWALS WILL BE STARTED AND TO WHAT STRENGTH. ALL THESE FACTS WILL BE DISCLOSED ON MONDAY, INCLUDING FIGURES, BECAUSE THE ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED MUST BE SIMILAR, WORD FOR WORD, AND IT MUST BE ISSUED SIMULTANEOUSLY.

REPORTER: WILL WITHDRAWALS BE CARRIED OUT BY GRADUAL STAGES, OR HOW. DO YOU HAVE DETAILS IN FULL?

CHATCHAI: IT WOULD CAUSE A SHOCK TO GIVE DETAILS NOW. (LAUGHS).  
END TEXT.  
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